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ACTION NEA-09

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FM AMCONSUL JERUSALEM

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INFO AMEMBASSY TEL AVIV

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ENRG, IS, JO

SUBJECT: ISRAELI OIL PROSPECTING ON WEST BANK

REF: A. STATE 018591; B. TEL AVIV 0589

1. FURTHER TO REFTEL B, JERUSALEM REPRESENTATIVE OF APACHE GAS CO., PARTNER TO LAPIDOT, INFORMED CONGEN THAT ISRAELI LABORATORY TESTS AND SUBSEQUENT PRESS ANNOUNCEMENTS WERE BASED ON EARTH CORES TAKEN DURING SUMMER WHILE DRILLING WAS IN PROGRESS. HE STRESSED THAT "NOTHING NEW" HAD BEEN DISCOVERED SINCE DRILLING HLT IN OCTOBER. IN HIS VIEW, TYPE OF ROCK AND HYDRO-CARBONS DISCOVERED COULD AT BEST BE CONSIDERED PRELIMINARY FINDINGS.

2. APACHE GAS REPRESENTATIVE ALSO MENTIONED HIS FIRM MAY PULL OUT OF FURTHER OPERATIONS HERE DUE TO LACK OF FUNDS. HE SAID FIRM SOUGHT US SEC APPROVAL IN MARCH 1974 TO OFFER SHARES TO GENERAL PUBLIC, BUT THIS APPLICATION WAS DISAPPROVED LAST DECEMBER. FIRM RECENTLY FILED AGAIN, BUT IF APPROVAL IS NOT  
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FORTHCOMING, LACK OF SUFFICIENT FUNDS FROM PRESENT BACKERS

AND INABILITY ACQUIRE ADDITIONAL FUNDS FROM PUBLIC STOCK SALES  
COULD FORCE INDEFINITE SUSPENSION OF THEIR OPERATIONS IN  
ISRAEL AND WEST BANK.  
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